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Litomeric (N51/P53).

1. The so-called Artillery barracks (Delostrelecke kasarny)<sup>1</sup> are located on the south western side of Ceskoslovenske armady street leading from Litomerice in the direction of Kamyk (N51/P43) (see enclosure # 1, point 1). The barracks, which consist of several buildings (partly four-story and partly single-story), extend over an area of approximately 410 m x 250 m. In the courtyard of the barracks on 10 and 12 March 1954, an iron bridge on concrete supports and some sport equipment apparently used for physical training of the troops. Sentries seen at the barracks gate had black shoulder boards with metal insignia representing two crossed axes. On 12 March a column of 15 enlisted men led by a corporal with engineer-corps shoulder boards (black SB's and crossed-axes insignia) was observed marching from the barracks in the direction of Libochovany (N51/P43). In the vicinity of the barracks several other enlisted men and NCO's wearing engineer-corps shoulder boards and two NCO's wearing brown shoulder boards with red piping were seen.
2. A four-story military installation measuring approximately 45 m x 60 m, probably a caserne, is situated in a former cloister in Jesuitska street opposite the Jesuit church (see enclosure # 2, point 4). A detachment of 25 enlisted men, led by a sergeant first class wearing black shoulder boards with red piping, was observed marching out of this building on 12 March 1954. Their collar insignia could not be seen because of the distance from the point of observation. The enlisted men carried "gray balls on handles" (probably anti-tank handgrenades). In about two hours they were seen returning to the barracks. Apart from this detachment a sergeant wearing brown shoulder boards with red piping entered the barracks.
3. A PS caserne is situated in a four-story building (60 m x 65 m) on the corner of Na Valech and Sovova streets (see enclosure # 2, point 5).<sup>3</sup>

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Two sentries in PS uniforms armed with rifles were seen at the barracks gates on 12 March 1954. On the same day two detachments of enlisted men in PS uniforms (20 PM, two sergeants, and one lieutenant in the first column, and 16 PM led by a sergeant in the second) were observed marching out of the caserne carrying rifles with fixed bayonets. They sang Russian songs.

4. A military installation is situated in a modern building on the corner of Bozeny Nemcove and Eliasova streets (see enclosure # 2, point 6).<sup>4</sup> A sentry at the gate was an enlisted man with black shoulder boards armed with a submachine gun. His insignia could not be observed. Several military trucks, jeeps, and cars were parked in a motor pool situated next to this building on Eliasova street (see enclosure # 2, point 7).
5. On 12 March 1954, in the afternoon a column of 21 enlisted men with khaki shoulder boards without any piping, led by a lieutenant wearing gold shoulder boards on black base with an arrow insigne, marched to the barracks located in the eastern part of Litomerice, on the south-eastern side of Ceskolipska street.<sup>5</sup> In the courtyard of the barracks there is a rifle firing range with six targets about 80 cm. x 80 cm. large. In the area located east of the barracks and south of the sport stadium three new single-storied buildings have been erected recently. As far as could be ascertained by outside observation, they are used as store houses for automobile spare parts, truck repairshops and garages. Two other buildings were under construction in this area. In the restricted military area located north of the barracks on the north-western side of Ceskolipska street a new pipeline was being laid. Along the freshly dug       ditches concrete pipes about 35 cm. in diameter were observed.
6. On the northern bank of the Elbe river, opposite the river island called 'Strelecky ostrov',<sup>6</sup> military garages and store houses were observed on 12 March 1954. Two gasoline tank trucks were seen in this area.
7. On 12 March 1954 many officers wearing gold or silver shoulder boards on black or brown base, some of them with arrow insignia and some with insignia resembling something like "four inter-connected circles" were seen in town. There were also many NCO's and enlisted men observed in the streets of the town in the late afternoon of the same day. They wore mostly black shoulder boards without any piping (engineers) or black shoulder boards with yellow piping (students of the reserve officers' school for engineers or Engineer Academy students), but also black shoulder boards with red piping and brown shoulder boards with red piping could be seen.
8. A storage of explosives is located southwest of Mirejovice (N51/P53) in the area of the Bidnice hill (see enclosure # 1, point 5). In this area there is also a military training ground and a firing range used by the troops billeted in the former artillery barracks (see paragraph 1 of this report).
9. The following military vehicles were observed in Litomerice on 10 and 12 March 1954:

 ambulance

crew unknown; coming to the barracks mentioned in paragraph 1;

truck, three-ton

crew unknown; leaving the barracks mentioned in paragraph 1;

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[redacted]	truck, three-ton	carrying one private (black SB's with crossed axes insignia) and one private first class (brown SB's with red piping);	25X1
	ambulance	crew unknown; coming to the barracks mentioned in paragraph 3;	
	ambulance (see above)	parked in the motor pool next to the barracks mentioned in paragraph 4;	
[redacted]	truck, three-ton (see above)	ditto	25X1
[redacted]	passenger car	ditto	
	truck, three-ton	ditto	
	truck, three-ton	ditto	
	truck, three-ton	parked in the courtyard of the barracks mentioned in paragraph 5;	25X1
	truck, three-ton	ditto	
	truck, three-ton	ditto	
	truck, three-ton	ditto	

Teplice Lazne v Cechach (N51/F34).

10. About 150 enlisted men of an Auxiliary Technical Battalion (PTP) from the garrison in Chudovice (N51/F23)<sup>7</sup> worked in March 1954 on the construction of new houses and wooden huts at the following three places: next to the municipal hospital, next to the railroad station, and on Duchcova street. They were billeted in a former hotel on Zelena street.<sup>8</sup>
11. The following military vehicles were observed in Teplice in March and May 1954:

[redacted]	truck, three-ton	coming for some material from Karlovy Vary (N51/P69); the crew consisted of a driver (student of the reserve officers' school) and an infantry sergeant first class;	
	jeep	carrying an officer (gold SE's on black base) and an enlisted man (black SF's);	
	jeep	parked at the hospital; the driver was from the political officers' school in Bohosudov (N51/F34);	25X1
	ambulance	brought two wounded airmen to the hospital;	
	bus	crew consisted of airmen; going in the direction Teplice - Duchcov (N51/F23);	

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bus

crew was made up of members of the Internal Guard; parked on the main square;

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jeep

probably airmen; direction unknown.

Most (N51/F13).

12. On 19 March 1954 two enlisted men wearing khaki shoulder boards were observed standing at the gate of the barracks situated in the southern part of the town.<sup>9</sup> One was armed with a rifle, the other one had a book in which he registered all incoming and outgoing vehicles. In the courtyard of the barracks six AA guns were observed. In the afternoon of the same day four gun discharges were heard from the barracks. About 40 to 50 four- and five-story houses are under construction opposite the barracks on the eastern side of the main road. A private first class wearing black shoulder boards with red piping was seen at the construction site. Otherwise no troops were seen in the vicinity of the barracks.
13. On 9 March 1954 several enlisted men wearing black shoulder boards with red piping and with AA artillery insignia, as well as some without any insignia, and enlisted men with black shoulder boards and with shoulder boards of the medical reserve officers' school were observed in town.
14. The following military vehicles were observed in Most on 9 March 1954:

truck, three-ton	carrying coal from the Lesaky mine; <sup>10</sup>
truck, 1½-ton	carrying a captain (gold SB's on black base); going in the direction of Teplice;
truck, three-ton	carrying military winter coats to the barracks situated south of the town (see paragraph 12);
jeep	crew formed by enlisted men (red SB's with black piping); coming from the direction Chomutov (N51/F02);
truck, three-ton	parked in the courtyard of the barracks mentioned in paragraph 12;
truck, three-ton	ditto
truck, three-ton	ditto

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Nove Mesto (N51/F24).

15. About 120 airmen were billeted in a building next to the tourist hut Bendlova chata in Nove Mesto in March 1954. A group of five enlisted men wearing AA artillery shoulder boards and insignia was seen in the tourist hut on the hill Bournak situated south-east of Nove Mesto.

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Naklerov (N51/F45).

16. [redacted] there was a restricted military area, probably a military training center, north of Naklerov. 25X1
1. [redacted] Comment. The barracks are identical with the installation "B" cited in the Military Installations - Czechoslovak Ground Forces, (MICGF), Volume II. 25X1
  2. [redacted] Comment. The barracks seem to be identical with the installation "K" in the MICGF, Vol. II. 25X1
  3. [redacted] Comment. This installation is located in the former "Realschule" and its location corresponds with the installation "B" in the MICGF, Vol. II (PS NGO School). 25X1
  4. [redacted] Comment. This building is probably identical with the installation "D" in the MICGF, Vol. II (Engineer Officers Academy). 25X1
  5. [redacted] Comment. These barracks are identical with the installation "A" in the MICGF, Vol. II. 25X1
  6. [redacted] Comment. This installation is identical with the installation "J" (engineer store) in the MICGF, Vol. II. 25X1
  7. [redacted] Comment. An unknown AAA unit but no PTP is located in Chuderice. However, the 66th PTP was reported in Bilina (N51/F23) which is situated very close to Chuderice. 25X1  
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  8. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] an unidentified sentry was seen at a building in Zelena street in Teplice in June 1954. [redacted] 25X1  
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  9. [redacted] Comment. The barracks are identical with the installation "A" as indicated in the MICGF, Vol. II. 25X1
  10. [redacted] 25X1
  12. [redacted] Comment. According to unconfirmed information of October 1953 a military training center called VVP Panenska (N51/F35) was established in this area. It is to be used by the engineer brigade in Litomerice for training purposes. 25X1

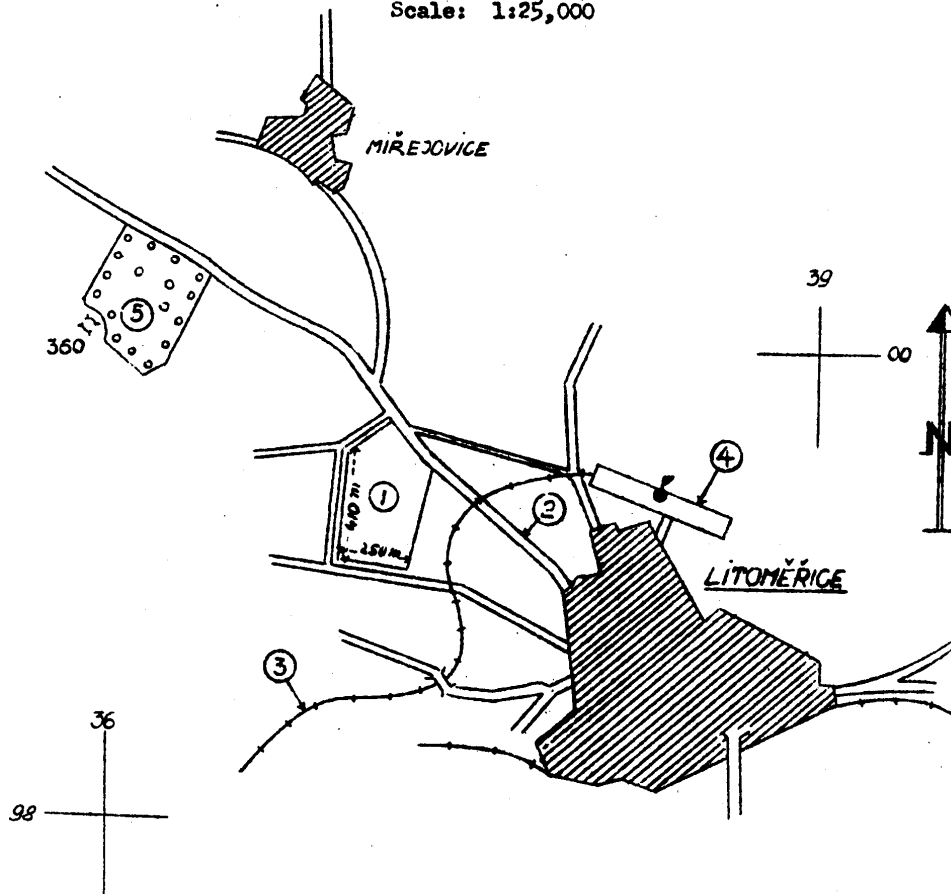
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Location of the Engineer Barracks  
in Litomerice.  
Layout from the sheet 3752/IV (Teresin West).  
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1. Barracks area
2. Ceskoslovenske armady street
3. Railroad line Lovosice - Litomerice
4. RR station Litomerice
5. Hill Bidnice (storage of explosives and military training ground)

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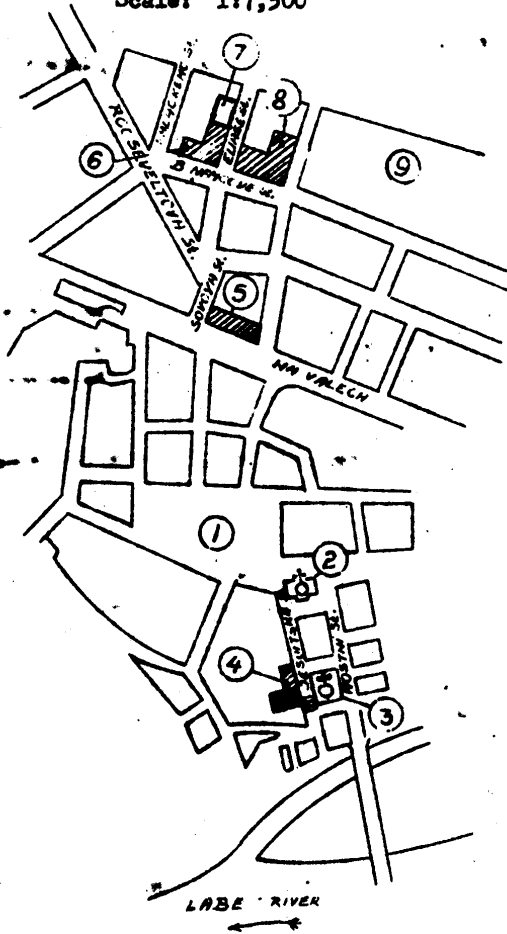
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Military Installations in Litomerice.

Layout from a plan of the town.

Scale: 1:7,500



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1. Main square
2. Church
3. Church
4. Military barracks
5. PS barracks
6. Military installation
7. Military motor pool
8. School
9. Park

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